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H.L.C.	<u>1</u>
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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4019**

**OFFERED BY MR. OXLEY**

Page 4, after line 18, insert the following new section (and redesignate the succeeding section accordingly):

1 **SEC. 4. PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CONGRES-**  
2 **SIONAL COMMUNICATIONS.**

3 Section 4(j) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47  
4 U.S.C. 154(j)) is amended—

5 (1) by inserting “(1)” after “(j)”; and

6 (2) by adding at the end the following new  
7 paragraph:

8 “(2)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (C), no  
9 member (including the chairman), officer, or employee of  
10 the Commission shall take any action—

11 “(i) to express the support or opposition of the  
12 Commission for any legislation or appropriation, or

13 “(ii) to request or suggest on behalf of the  
14 Commission that any organization, entity, or person  
15 should communicate to any Member of Congress the  
16 support or opposition of the organization, entity, or  
17 person for any legislation or appropriation,

18 unless such action has been approved by majority vote of  
19 the Commission.

1       “(B) After an action described in clause (i) or (ii)  
2 of subparagraph (A) has been approved by majority vote,  
3 such action may only be carried out the members of the  
4 Commission (including the chairman) and the staffs in the  
5 offices of such members, and may not be carried out by  
6 the officers or employees of any other bureau, office, or  
7 other component of the Commission.

8       “(C) Subparagraph (A) shall not prohibit any mem-  
9 ber of the Commission (including the chairman) from ex-  
10 pressing the individual opinion of such member with re-  
11 spect to any legislation or appropriation.

12       “(D) Nothing in this paragraph authorizes any con-  
13 duct in violation of section 1913 of title 18, United States  
14 Code.”.